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VICTIM OF SUNDAY SHOOTING DIES TODAY

RAIL HEADS MARK TIME WHILE MEN SCRATCH BALLOTS

Result of Action Won't be Known Until July 1 When Huge Amount is Lopped From Pay.

HARDING MAY BACK RAIL LABOR BOARD

Hooper Says Carriers Will Quit "Farming Out" Contract Work to Insure Peace.

CHICAGO. — Railroad chiefs were marking time while employees of the roads were marking ballots.

By July 1, the date \$136,000,000 in wage cuts ordered by the United States railroad labor board becomes effective, the strike referendum will be completed and the nation will probably know whether it faces an actual rail strike and a threatened transportation war.

Developments of the last 24 hours included a statement by Ben W. Hooper, chairman of the railroad labor board, predicting an adjustment of the railroad situation without a strike and peace on the roads by next fall.

Strike Is Sanctioned.

Statements to the board from the rail unions serving notice they would sanction a strike, if favored in the referendum.

Word from Washington is that President Harding intends to back the board which has no power itself under the transportation act to enforce its decisions.

Gradual abandonment by the carriers of their system of putting work out at contract, a system which has been one of the barriers to peace, was predicted by Mr. Hooper. Following the lead of the Southern Pacific, other roads are expected to speedily do away with contracts, the board chairman said.

"Truth to Be Found."

Referring to charges by a leading railroad periodical that the board was completely dominated by the wishes of labor organizations and to more recent accusations by the unions that the wage reductions were a "misappropriation of justice," Mr. Hooper asserted that "a discriminating public will find the truth at a point about half way between these two extremes."

The strike referendum is expected to be completed by next Sunday so the employees can be advised of the result by the time their pay checks go under the pruning knife July 1.

FLASHES

WASHINGTON. — The house rules committee today prepared without prejudice a bill under which it was proposed to take up for consideration in the house of the Capper-Tincher bill to supplement the future trading act.

LONDON. — The admiralty announces that the drifter Blue Sky which left Fortmuth June 1 for Invergordon, Scotland, is presumed to be lost with all hands. Wreckage of the Blue Sky has been washed ashore.

WAUKEGAN, Ill. — Governor Small will offer no evidence in his behalf in his trial for conspiracy, C. C. Leforgee announced in court today, but will rest on the evidence of the prosecution.

MONTEVIDEO. — The condition of Archbishop Juan Francisco Aragone, who was shot while celebrating mass in the cathedral Sunday was reported as worse. Surgeons upon extracting the bullet found the intestines had been perforated and peritonitis was prevalent.

LONDON. — Several people were killed and about 30 injured by an explosion on a vessel in the Tagus river Sunday night during a fireworks display in celebration of the successful completion of the trans-Atlantic flight by the Portuguese naval aviator.

TULSA, Okla. — J. C. Kinney, known as "Boss" Kinney, because of his political activities, died here Monday.

WASHINGTON. — J. Morton Howell of Ohio was nominated today by President Harding to be the first American minister to Egypt.

CLEVELAND. — Babe hit a home run over the right field wall in his first time at bat in today's game between the Yankees and Indians. He had two strikes when he made the drive.

DUBLIN. — Eamon de Valera announced this afternoon that he would not issue his expected statement regarding the Irish constitution. He said he had only received the full text of the document this afternoon.

THE HAGUE. — The conference on Russian affairs held a two-hour session today, completing preliminary work. It will make official communication of the result to Russia tomorrow.

Philip Is Dead.

BRISBANE, Queensland. — The death of Sir T. P. Phillips, twice prime minister of Queensland. He was born in Glasgow in 1821.

Rail Leaders in Fight



Strike vote may result from convocation of rail union chiefs at Cincinnati who promise a finish fight on wage slashes. Left to right: E. H. Fitzgerald, Frank Paquin, Timothy Healy, Edward Tegtmeyer, W. H. Johnston, D. W. Holt, E. L. Oliver, Edward J. Evans, H. J. Carr, J. W. Burns. With coats on at table, E. F. Jewell and W. F. Brown.

EIGHT INDICTED FOR SHIPPING ARMS TO IRISH

Machine Guns Found on Ship Ready to Sale; Colts Manufactured Arms, Attorney Holds.

TRENTON, N. J. — Colonel Marcellus H. Thompson, vice-president and active head of the Auto Ordnance company of New York, has been indicted by the federal grand jury here on a charge of conspiracy to ship arms to Ireland in violation of the neutrality laws. The announcement was made today by Assistant United States District Attorney Thomas V. Smith.

Indictments also have been returned against the Auto Ordnance company and seven other individuals on the same charge as the result of seizure at Hoboken last June of the Cosmopolitan line freighter, east side, in the coal bunkers of which were found 453 machine guns.

The guns were manufactured by the Colt Patent Arms company of Hartford, Conn., and are alleged to have been sold to the Auto Ordnance company. Their inventor is said to be General John R. Thompson, father of Col. Thompson. The latter is a son-in-law of Colonel George Harvey, American ambassador to Great Britain.

RIO GRANDE ON RISE IN MEXICO

International Bridge at Eagle Pass Swept Away; Merchants on Both Side Suffering.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas. — Water, light and phone systems at Piedras Negras, across the river from Eagle Pass, were put out of commission Sunday night by the flood waters of the Rio Grande, which also swept out the international bridge and the railroad bridge which connects the two towns.

Military authorities at Eagle Pass expect to put in a pontoon bridge within two days. The fate of the 18,000 inhabitants of Piedras Negras is not known on this side of the border, but it is not expected there has been any loss of life.

Merchants from both sides had ample time to remove goods from the high water districts. In Eagle Pass the only loss was to stocks of goods on Commercial street, which parallels the river. There was no loss of life there.

Many See Ominous Play.

OKMULGEE, Okla. — An estimated crowd of 1,500 people saw Okmulgee's third annual community Shakespeare pageant here tonight in which over 600 people took the parts of the characters of "As You Like It" including scores of dancers.

CONFEDERATES BESIEGE HOMES WITHIN CITY OF RICHMOND, VIRGINIA, TODAY

RICHMOND, Va. — Richmond today welcomed survivors of the Confederate armies, their families and friends, estimated at 25,000 visitors, here to attend the 22nd annual reunion of the United Confederate Veterans and auxiliary organizations.

The swiftly thinking ranks of those who were the gray in 1861-65, six hundred thousand then, but dwindled now to not more than four thousand, were bivouacked in the Richmond homes with attention and care reminiscent only by sharp contrast of their wartime experiences in the historic section, scene of bitter battles and once their capitol. Younger visitors were lodged in hotels and public buildings, provided with hundreds of army coats loaned by the war department.

Man Missing; Voice Says to Drag Lake

OKLAHOMA CITY. — County Attorney Forrest Hughes today was preparing to drag Belle Isle lake, a summer resort on the outskirts of the city, following his receipt late Saturday night of a telephone call from an unidentified man, who intimated that the body of Guy Weatherbee, proprietor of an electrical establishment here, who disappeared under mysterious circumstances more than three weeks ago, would be found in the west lagoon of the lake. The county attorney said the telephone call possibly was a hoax, as he had received no previous information to indicate that Weatherbee was dead, but that it would not be ignored.

When Hughes answered the phone Saturday night, a man's voice inquired: "Is this the county attorney?"

The prosecutor answered that it was. "I wanted to know if you would like to know something about Guy Weatherbee?" the voice said.

"Yes," Hughes replied. "Well, you might drag the west part of Belle Isle lake and see what you find," he was told. When asked who he was, Hughes said, the man hung the receiver on the hook without replying.

Weatherbee left his home May 23, telling his wife he was going on a short business trip and would return the next day. He has not been heard from since. Last fall, Daniel Gingrich, proprietor of the hotel where Weatherbee made his home, disappeared in much the same manner, and three days later was found lying at the bottom of Belle Isle Lake with a bullet hole through his brain.

After weeks of investigation, the case was dropped as an unsolved mystery. Weatherbee's accounts are all in good shape, his friends say, and his associates declare he could not have left because of financial embarrassment. He was a director in the local chamber of commerce, and had maintained his business here for years.

My Opinion Is

Every day The Ardmoreite questions five persons on a subject of general interest. The answers are published with the names of those interviewed.

Do you like your job better than that of a news reporter? Why?

M. E. Sorraitt, Shoe Repairer: "I'd rather be mending people's shoes and squaring their heels than hustling news."

J. R. CHITWOOD, Tire Repair Man: "If a news reporter's job isn't any better than mine it isn't much. I never tried it but I know it isn't any snap."

C. C. CULPEPPER, Baggage Agent: "My job suits me better than that of a news reporter, but I know it isn't any better."

W. T. WILLIAMS, Bookkeeper: "No, I don't like my job any better than a news reporter. A reporter has a whole lot to do with molding public sentiment and I like his work."

ROY DOAK, Profit Clerk: "A news reporter's job is alright, I guess. A man has to start out and work up in any line of endeavor. I couldn't afford to swap jobs, though."

KANSAS MINES OPEN ON NEW WAGE SCHEDULE

Cooperative Plan Adopted in Other Areas; All Mines Open Within a Short Time, is Belief.

PITTSBURG, Kansas. — The Crowe Coal and Mining company today opened its mine No. 4 at Croweburg. Nearly forty men were put to work. Eighty men, according to R. M. Gray, manager of the company, applied for work but the company would not take care of them this morning. The force at the mine tomorrow will be full, Mr. Gray said.

Mr. Gray said the men were being paid \$4 a day for day men and ninety-four cents a ton for drivers. He said that in manning the mine, preference was being given to men who had been employed at the mine prior to the strike, April 1. He stated emphatically, however, that the company was running "open shop," and that the men going to work were union men.

All miners not accepted in the union by the provisional organization instituted by the international union and who claim union membership are held not to be union miners by international officials.

TOPEKA, Kan. — Opening of the Crowe mines in southeast Kansas could be the beginning of the state's program for resuming coal production, state officials said today. Although no order has been given by the state to open the mines, Governor Allen said a demand for coal apparently has appeared and the operators are carrying out their agreement with the industrial court.

Two ships sink off south coast. Survivors of Both Steamers Picked Up From Water After S. O. S. is Sent Out Sunday.

KEY WEST, Fla. — Marine men here were puzzled by reports received Sunday night of the rescue of the survivors of the small American freighter, Bella and of the 3,500 ton tanker de Soto, both described as sinking in widely different localities of the Florida coast.

The survivors from the Bella were taken aboard by the coast guard cutter, Tamaroc, which is en route from Norfolk to the Canal Zone and which reported she would place the shipwrecked sailors ashore at Kingston, Jamaica.

The de Sota sank at midnight, according to a radio received later by coast guard headquarters here from the Portgstad. The message gave no further details.

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Machinery Clogged Every Time Congress Started to Act on Hospital Bills, Is Charge.

REPORTS SHOW VAST NEED OF MORE ROOM

American Legion Has Led In Fight for More Beds for the Disabled Men.

By HARRY B. HUNT

WASHINGTON. — Petty politics is depriving the nation's disabled soldiers and sailors of the benefits of hospital treatment for which congress has appropriated more than \$25,000,000.

The result is that three and one-half years after the end of the war no federal hospital facilities are available for one-third of the wounded and disabled veterans still requiring such care.

On June 1 exactly 25,555 veterans were in hospitals for disabilities incurred in war service.

But of this number 2559 were "farmed out" to private and public institutions, at so much a head, because no beds were available for them in government hospitals. Many of these are virtually imprisoned with paupers and the criminally insane and receive no special treatment.

Back of this situation lies a story of petty politics, departmental jealousies, incompetence and slothfulness in striking contrast to the promises made by the government during the war.

System Discouraged.

The system of farming out veteran patients to contract hospitals was recognized early in 1919 as unjust to the men and out of keeping with national obligations.

Surgeon General Rupert Blue of the U. S. Public Health Service recommended that immediate steps be taken to provide government facilities for disabled men. In two years, he said, 50,000 (Continued on page 2)

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State Rests Its Case Against Gov. Small Early Today

WAUKEGAN, Ill. — The state completed its case against Governor Len Small, charged with conspiracy to defraud the state while he was state treasurer, at 11:35 o'clock today.

James H. Wilkerson, assistant attorney general asked for a short recess preparatory to formally announcing that the prosecution rests. Donald Currier, the state's accountant, was the last witness. C. C. Le Forger, chief of counsel for the governor started his cross examination when court convened at 9:30 o'clock and finished shortly after 11 a. m. Re-direct examination occupied less than half an hour.

TESTS REVEAL BIG DEPOSITS OF RICH SHALE

Construction of Brick Plant Here to Begin Within a Short Time, Board Is Told.

Consideration of the brick plant that is contemplating location in Ardmore was the principle work that was taken up at the meeting of the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce Monday at noon.

Reports of the factory explaining the testing of the shale bed was very pleasing according to reports received from members of the board. Tests have been made to a depth of about 22 feet and show no break in the deposit of shale but only show that the shale becomes much better as depth is penetrated.

R. H. Harris, of the Ada Brick Co., who is in Ardmore looking over the situation reports that he will have men here Wednesday or Thursday to take several tons of shale which has been taken from the test wells and test out its qualities as to the best kind of brick that it will make.

Everything is in good shape and construction work on the factory will commence soon is the belief of several local men who are interested in the work.

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BUD GOSS HELD ON CHARGE OF SLAYING SHIVER

Family Trouble Given as Cause of Shooting in Front of Adelphos Theater.

ACCIDENT AT DRAKE STARTS BIG RUMOR

Two Slightly Injured When Car Leaves Road and Goes Through Fence.

A shooting affray on Main street, just after the noon hour, and later an accident that might have been serious on the Sulphur road near Drake earlier in the day, bade fair to break the quiet of a very warm summer Sunday afternoon yesterday. Coupled with this numerous reports of slight auto accidents, and the prospect might have been gloomy to even an optimist.

On Monday morning another light was shed on the scene when the victim of a pistol bullet died after lingering nearly 18 hours. The road auto accident appeared to be slight, and the numerous other accidents proved to be classed as "regular stuff" by the police.

Shooting at Noon.

Nat Shivers, 25, tool dresser, died this morning shortly before 11 o'clock as a result of a gun wound alleged to have been received from the pistol of Bud Goss in a shooting affray in front of the Adelphos Theater, Sunday afternoon. Goss surrendered immediately after the shooting and was released on bond. He was rearrested Sunday night and is being held without bail on a charge of murder.

The bullet entered Shivers' body below the left shoulder from the back, and lodged in the body after cutting his spinal nerve, according to county officials. The entire lower part of his body was paralyzed. Death was not unexpected this morning.

The shooting is believed by officers to be the outgrowth of trouble that started between Goss and Shivers about a year ago over the latter's wife. Shortly after the trouble Mrs. Shivers left her home. Her husband then went to Hayensville, Louisiana, and began working (Continued on page two)

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